Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Friday 29 Jan 2021 until 23:59 on Saturday 30 Jan 2021

Forecast Issued on Thursday 28 Jan 2021 at 16:17 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Medium for detail on Friday, high over the weekend and Monday, low by Tuesday.

Headline for Friday 29 Jan 2021: Blizzard conditions easing during the afternoon and clearing to isolated showers in the evening. Fresh to strong NE winds

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 29 Jan 2021

Blizzards High Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** High Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales Low Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** High Likelihood	**Poor visibility** High Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy snow	Heavy snow	Light snow	Light snow	Light snow	Cloudy	Partly cloudy (night)	Cloudy
Precipitation probability							
90%	90%	90%	90%	70%	40%	20%	10%

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Weather: Cloudy with snow, with heavy falls overnight and into the morning and some blizzard conditions. Largest falls likely over the eastern Cairngorms up to Strathdon and the Lecht and to an extent the Monadliaths, less over Ben Alder and Loch Rannoch. Becoming lighter and more occasional in afternoon and clearing in evening, though more scattered snow showers will continue in the northeast.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Little chance, until evening

Visibility: Widely poor or very poor in falling and blowing snow, with cloud bases not discernible, then improving in the evening.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	33/42 E	30/38 E	31/39 NE	28/36 NE	23/29 NE	24/30 NE	24/31 NE	21/27 NE	23/30 E
900	33/45 SE	25/33 E	23/28 NE	22/28 NE	19/25 NE	18/23 NE	20/25 NE	17/22 E	19/23 E
600	22/36 SE	12/18 NE	15/20 NE	15/20 NE	13/18 NE	12/16 NE	12/17 NE	11/15 E	11/16 E
300	9/21 E	8/18 NE	8/19 NE	9/20 NE	8/17 NE	7/16 NE	5/13 NE	4/11 NE	5/11 E
Glen	4/14 NE	4/14 NE	5/17 NE	4/17 NE	4/15 NE	4/14 NE	3/10 NE	2/9 NE	2/8 NE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-5/-15	-6/-15	-6/-16	-6/-16	-6/-15	-7/-16	-8/-18	-8/-18	-9/-18
900	-1/-10	-2/-10	-3/-11	-3/-11	-3/-11	-4/-11	-4/-12	-5/-12	-5/-13
600	-0/-7	-1/-6	-1/-7	-1/-7	-2/-7	-2/-7	-2/-8	-3/-8	-4/-9
300	1/-3	0/-4	-0/-4	-0/-5	0/-4	0/-3	-2/-5	-2/-5	-4/-8
Glen	1/-2	-0/-4	-0/-4	-0/-4	0/-3	0/-3	-1/-3	-2/-4	-4/-6
Freezing Level*	400m	300m	300m	300m	300m	300m	100m	100m	00m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Severe winter conditions. Access roads may be blocked.

Forecast for Saturday 30 Jan 2021
Weather: Mainly dry with sunny or clear spells. A few light snow showers in Strathdon.

Maximum wind: Easterly 30 gusts 40mph easing later. Bitterly cold on the tops.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: High just the odd patch of cloud near snow showers.

Visibility: Good with snow showers too light to have much effect.

Temperature: **Glens:** Minus 7 overnight and evening rising to zero by day
At 800m: Minus 6 Celsius
Freezing level: All levels

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